



Michigan Office of Great Lakes Announces CELCP Grant Funding Opportunity

The Michigan Office of the Great Lakes, Department of Environmental Quality, is pleased to announce the release of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for coastal and estuarine protection projects. The funding will highlight coastal areas with significant conservation, recreation, ecological, historical, or aesthetic values.

The Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) provides grant funds to eligible organizations to assist in the purchase of land to be managed in perpetuity for conservation purposes. The Michigan Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program in the Office of the Great Lakes is the lead state agency for the CELCP.

The CZM Program anticipates approximately \$1.5 - \$2 million in grant funds will be available this grant cycle. The maximum amount that may be requested for the Federal share of each project is \$1,500,000. Typical CELCP awards range between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000.

Past projects have included the purchase of sensitive dune and wetlands habitat to safeguard unique coastal ecosystems, allowing communities to enjoy the natural wonders of Michigan's dynamic coastline.

To apply for grant funding, view the RFP application package on the Michigan CZM website at www.michigan.gov/coastalmanagement. Select the 2018 CELCP RFP under "Grants." Find a detailed list of requirements and competition materials at National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's CELCP [website](#).

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